IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA MARTINSBURG

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEARCH OF SAMSUNG GALAXY A12 CELLULAR TELEPHONE, SERIAL NUMBER R58R853WYGA

Case No.	3:24-MJ-124	
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AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF AN APPLICATION FOR A SEARCH WARRANT

I, Ellen Duffy, being duly sworn, hereby depose and state as follows:

INTRODUCTION AND AGENT BACKGROUND

I am a Special Agent (SA) with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and I have been so employed since January 2018. Prior to my employment with the FBI, I was employed with the University of Florida Police Department (UFPD) for approximately seven years. During my employment with UFPD, I served as a Patrol Officer, a Detective, and a Detective Sergeant. Prior to my employment with UFPD, I was employed as a Special Agent with the United States Department of Education, Office of Inspector General, for approximately two years. I am currently assigned to a multi-agency task force known as the West Virginia Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force (WVCEHTTF). Since June 2018, my responsibilities in the FBI have included the enforcement of federal criminal statutes involving the sexual exploitation of children pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252, et seq. I have received training regarding the Internet, online child pornography, child exploitation, and child sex trafficking, and have consulted with my colleagues who have many years of experience investigating child exploitation cases. I have also been the affiant on numerous prior search and arrest warrants. As a federal agent, I am authorized to investigate

violations of laws of the United States and am a law enforcement officer with the authority to execute arrest and search warrants issued under the authority of the United States.

- 2. I make this affidavit in support of an application for a search warrant for a Samsung Galaxy A12 cellular telephone, serial number R58R853WYGA (the "TARGET DEVICE"), further described in Attachment A.
- 3. The facts in this affidavit come from my personal observations, my training and experience, and information obtained from other agents and witnesses. This affidavit is intended to show merely that there is sufficient probable cause for the requested warrant and does not set forth all of my knowledge about this matter.
- 4. Based on the facts set forth in this affidavit, there is probable cause to believe that violations of 18 U.S.C. §§ 2251(a) (Production of Child Pornography), 2252A(a)(2)(B) (Distribution of Child Pornography), and 2252A(a)(5)(B) (Possession of Child Pornography) have been committed by LARRY LAVANCHER ("LAVANCHER"), CANDY HUNDLEY (HUNDLEY), and other yet-to-be identified subjects, from approximately January 19, 2023 through November 22, 2024. There is also probable cause to believe the TARGET DEVICE contains evidence, instrumentalities, contraband, or fruits of these crimes.

<u>IDENTIFICATION OF THE DEVICE TO BE EXAMINED</u>

- 5. The TARGET DEVICE is a Samsung Galaxy A12 cellular telephone, serial number R58R853WYGA. The TARGET DEVICE was seized from LAVANCHER during the execution of a home contact by the United States Probation Office at 427 Winchester Avenue, Apartment 2, Martinsburg, WV 25401 on November 19, 2024.
- 6. I took custody of the TARGET DEVICE from the United States Probation Office on November 25, 2024. The TARGET DEVICE is currently stored in the Evidence

Room at the FBI, 1250 Edwin Miller Boulevard, Martinsburg, West Virginia, in the Northern District of West Virginia. Based on training and experience, your affiant knows the TARGET DEVICE has been stored in a manner in which its contents are, to the extent material to this investigation, in substantially the same state as they were when the TARGET DEVICE first came into law enforcement's possession.

7. The applied-for warrant would authorize the forensic examination of the TARGET DEVICE for the purpose of identifying the electronically stored information described in Attachment B.

DEFINITIONS

- 8. The following definitions apply to this affidavit and to Attachment B:
 - a. "Cellular telephone" or "wireless telephone" means a handheld wireless device used for voice and data communication through radio signals. These telephones send signals through networks of transmitter/receivers, enabling communication with other wireless telephones or traditional "land line" telephones. A wireless telephone usually contains a "call log," which records the telephone number, date, and time of calls made to and from the phone. In addition to enabling voice communications, wireless telephones offer a broad range of capabilities. These capabilities include: storing names and phone numbers in electronic "address books"; sending, receiving, and storing text messages and e-mail; taking, sending, receiving, and storing still photographs and moving videos; storing and playing back audio files; storing dates, appointments, and other information on personal calendars; and accessing and

downloading information from the Internet. Wireless telephones may include geographic information indicating where the cell phone was at particular times. b. "Computer", as used herein, is defined pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 1030(e)(1), as "an electronic, magnetic, optical, electrochemical, or other high speed data processing device performing logical or storage functions and includes any data storage facility or communications facility

directly related to or operating in conjunction with such device."

- c. "Computer hardware", as used herein, consists of all equipment which can receive, capture, collect, analyze, create, display, convert, store, conceal, or transmit electronic, magnetic, or similar computer impulses or data. Computer hardware includes any data-processing devices (including, but not limited to, central processing units, laptops, tablets, eReaders, Notes, iPads, and iPods; internal and peripheral storage devices such as fixed disks, external hard drives, floppy disk drives and diskettes, SD cards, thumb drives, flash drives, USB storage devices, CDs and DVDs, and other memory storage devices); peripheral input/output devices (including, but not limited to keyboards, printers, video display monitors, and related communications devices such as cables and connections), as well as any devices, mechanisms, or parts that can be used to restrict access to computer hardware (including, but not limited to, physical keys and locks).
- d. "Computer software", as used herein, is digital information which can be interpreted by a computer and any of its related components to direct the way they work. Computer software is stored in electronic, magnetic, or other digital

form. It commonly includes programs to run operating systems, applications, and utilities.

- e. "Computer-related documentation," as used herein, consists of electronically stored material which explains or illustrates how to configure or use computer hardware, computer software, or other related items.
- f. "Computer passwords and data security devices," as used herein, consist of information or items designed to restrict access to or hide computer software, documentation, or data. Data security devices may consist of hardware, software, or other programming code. A password (a string of alpha-numeric characters) usually operates a sort of digital key to "unlock" particular data security devices. Data security hardware may include encryption devices, chips. and circuit boards. Data security software of digital code may include programming code that creates "test" keys or "hot" keys, which perform certain pre-set security functions when touched. Data security software or code may also encrypt, compress, hide, or "booby-trap" protected data to make it inaccessible or unusable, as well as reverse the progress to restore it.
- g. "Electronic storage devices" includes computers, cellular telephones, tablets, and devices designed specifically to store electronic information (e.g., external hard drives and USB "thumb drives"). Many of these devices also permit users to communicate electronic information through the Internet or through the cellular telephone network (e.g., computers, cellular telephones, and tablet devices such as an iPad).

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- h. The "Internet" is a global network of computers and other electronic devices that communicate with each other. Due to the structure of the Internet, connections between devices on the Internet often cross state and international borders, even when the devices communicating with each other are in the same state.
- "Internet Service Providers" (ISPs) are commercial organizations that are in business to provide individuals and businesses access to the Internet. ISPs provide a range of functions for their customers including access to the Internet, web hosting, e-mail, remote storage, and co-location of computers and other communications equipment. ISPs can offer a range of options in providing access to the Internet including telephone-based dial-up, broadband based access via digital subscriber line (DSL) or cable television, dedicated circuits, or satellite-based subscription. ISPs typically charge a fee based upon the type of connection and volume of data, called bandwidth, which the connection supports. Many ISPs assign each subscriber an account name – a user name or screen name, an "e-mail address," an e-mail mailbox, and a personal password selected by the subscriber. By using a computer equipped with a modem, the subscriber can establish communication with an Internet Service Provider (ISP) over a telephone line, through a cable system or via satellite, and can access the Internet by using his or her account name and personal password.
- "An Internet Protocol address" (IP address) is a unique numeric address used by Internet-enabled electronic storage devices to access the Internet. Every electronic storage device attached to the Internet must be assigned an IP address

so that Internet traffic sent from and directed to that electronic storage device may be directed properly from its source to its destination. Most Internet service providers control a range of IP addresses. Some computers have static—that is, long-term—IP addresses, while other computers have dynamic—that is, frequently changed—IP addresses.

- k. "Child Pornography," as used herein, is defined pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2256(8), as "...any visual depiction, including any photograph, film, video, picture, or computer or computer-generated image or picture, whether made or produced by electronic, mechanical, or other means, of sexually explicit conduct, where -(A) the production of such visual depiction involves the use of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct; (B) such visual depiction is a digital image, computer image, or computer-generated image that is, or is indistinguishable from, that of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct; or (C) such visual depiction has been created, adapted, or modified to appear that an identifiable minor is engaging in sexually explicit conduct."
- 1. The term "minor," as used herein, is defined pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2256(1), as "any person under the age of eighteen years." m. The term "sexually explicit conduct," as used herein, is defined pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2256(2) as "actual or simulated—(i) sexual intercourse, including genital-genital, oral-genital, anal-genital, or oralanal, whether between persons of the same or opposite sex; (ii) bestiality; (iii)

masturbation; (iv) sadistic or masochistic abuse; or (v) lascivious exhibition of the genitals or pubic area of any person."

- n. "Visual depictions" include data stored on computer disk or by electronic means, which is capable of conversion into a visual image. See Title 18, United States Code, Section 2256(5).
- o. The terms "documents" and "materials" include all information recorded in any form, visual or aural, and by any means, whether in electrical, electronic or magnetic form (including tape recordings, compact discs, electronic or magnetic storage devices such as hard disks, CD-ROMs, digital video disks (DVDs), Multi Media Cards (MMCs), memory sticks, smart cards, or electronic notebooks, as well as digital data files and or readouts from any magnetic, electrical or electronic storage device).

BACKGROUND ON COMPUTERS AND CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

9. Computers and computer technology have revolutionized the way in which individuals interested in child pornography interact with each other. Child pornography formerly was primarily produced using cameras and film (either still photography or movies). Development and reproduction of the images often required darkroom facilities and a significant amount of skill, and there were definable costs involved with the production of pornographic images. Distribution of child pornography on any scale required significant resources. The photographs themselves were somewhat bulky and required secure storage to prevent their exposure to the public. The distribution of these wares was accomplished through a combination of personal contacts, mailings, and telephone calls. The development of computers has changed this. Computers, of which "smart" phones are one type, basically serve

four functions in connection with child pornography: production, communication, distribution, and storage.

- 10. Child pornographers can now transfer photographs from a camera onto a computer readable format with a device known as a scanner. With the advent of digital cameras, the images can now be transferred directly onto a computer. A device known as a modem allows any computer to connect to another computer using telephone, cable, or wireless connection. Electronic contact can be made to literally millions of computers around the world.
- 11. The computer's ability to store images in digital form makes the computer itself an ideal repository for child pornography. The size of the electronic storage media used in home computers and cellular telephones has grown tremendously within the last several years. These drives can store thousands of images at very high resolution.
- 12. The internet and its World Wide Web afford collectors of child pornography a variety of venues for obtaining, viewing, and trading child pornography in a relatively secure and anonymous fashion.
- 13. Collectors and distributors of child pornography also use online resources to retrieve and store child pornography, including services offered by internet portals such as Yahoo! and Hotmail, among others. The online portals allow a user to set up an account with a remote computing service that provides email services, as well as electronic storage of computer files in any variety of formats. A user can set up an online storage account from any computer with access to the internet. Evidence of such online storage of child pornography is often found on the user's computer. Even in cases where online storage is used, however, evidence of child pornography can be found on the user's computer in most cases.

As is the case with most digital technology, communications by way of computer can be saved or stored on the computer used for these purposes. Storing this information can be intentional (e.g., by saving an email as a file on the computer or saving the location of one's favorite websites in, for example, "bookmarked" files). Digital information can also be retained unintentionally (e.g., traces of the path of an electronic communication may be automatically stored in many places, such as in temporary files or internet service provider client software, among others). In addition to electronic communications, a computer user's internet activities generally leave traces or "footprints" and history files of the browser used. A forensic examiner often can recover evidence suggesting whether a computer contains wireless software, was using an instant messaging service, and when certain files under investigation were uploaded or downloaded. Such information is often maintained indefinitely until overwritten by other data.

CHARACTERISTICS OF PERSONS WHO TRAFFIC CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

- 15. As a result of the above-mentioned training and experience, I have learned the following characteristics are generally found to exist in varying combinations and be true in cases involving offenders who send, cause to be sent, distribute, exhibit, possess, display, transport, manufacture or produce material which depicts minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct. Said material includes, but is not limited to, photographs, negatives, slides, magazines, other printed media, motion pictures, video tapes, books, or similar items stored electronically on computers, digital devices or related digital storage media.
 - a. These offenders obtain and/or traffic in materials depicting children engaged in sexually explicit conduct through many sources and by

several methods and means. These sources, methods and means include, but are not limited to, the following:

- i. Downloading via the Internet and other computer networks.
 (Web sites, peer to peer file sharing networks, newsgroups, electronic bulletin boards, chat rooms, instant message conversations, e-mail, etc.)
- Receipt from commercial sources within and outside of the United States through shipments, deliveries and electronic transfer.
- iii. Trading with other persons with similar interests through shipments, deliveries and electronic transfer.
- iv. Producing and manufacturing these materials during actual contact with children.
- b. These offenders collect materials depicting children engaged in sexually explicit conduct for many reasons. These reasons include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - i. For sexual arousal and sexual gratification.
 - ii. These offenders use child pornographic materials the same way other people use adult pornography—to feed sexual fantasies.
 - iii. Use as a means of reliving fantasies or actual encounters with the depicted children.
 - iv. To lower children's inhibitions A child who is reluctant to engage in sexual activity with an adult or pose for sexually

- explicit photographs can sometimes be convinced by viewing other children having "fun" participating in sexual activity. Additionally, peer pressure can have a tremendous effect on children. If other children are involved, the child might be led to believe that the activity is acceptable.
- v. Use as blackmail Children are often afraid that the illicit pictures and/or motion pictures taken of them will be shown to their friends or family. If the child threatens to tell his or her parents or the authorities, the existence of sexually explicit photographs/motion pictures is often an effective silencer.
- vi. As a commodity for exchange -
 - 1. Some offenders exchange illicit images or videos of children for other child pornographic images or videos.
 - 2. Some offenders send, cause to be sent, distribute, exchange, trade or sell these illicit materials to other people with similar interests as a means of gaining acceptance, status, trust and psychological support from these other persons.
 - 3. Some offenders exchange these illicit materials for means by which to contact other children (i.e. telephone numbers, e-mail addresses, screen names, etc.).
 - 4. The quality and theme of the material often determines its value as a commodity for exchange.

vii. For profit -

- 1. Some offenders involved in the sale and distribution of child pornography are profiteers and are not sexually interested in children.
- 2. Other offenders may begin nonprofit trading, which they pursue until they accumulate certain amounts or types of images, which they then sell to distributors for reproduction in commercial child-pornography magazines or made available on the Internet for downloading.
- 3. Others offenders may combine their sexual interests in children with their profit motive. Thus an illicit image of a child taken by a local offender in any community in the United States can end up in a commercial childpornography magazine or on the Internet with worldwide distribution.
- c. These offenders view their child pornographic materials as valuable commodities, sometimes even regarding them as prized collections. Consequently, these offenders prefer not to be without their child pornographic material for any prolonged time period and often go to great lengths to conceal and protect their illicit collections from discovery, theft, or damage. To safeguard their illicit materials or

digital devices which contain their illicit materials, these people may employ the following security measures:

- i. The use of safes and safe deposit boxes.
- ii. The use of concealed compartments or concealed rooms within premises or other structures that they occupy or have control of.
- iii. The use of storage facilities outside their immediate residence (outbuildings, motor vehicles, animal cages, recreational vehicles, vessels etc.).
- iv. The use of Internet-based data storage services.
- v. Rental of storage facilities.
- vi. Recording onto media that contains false, misleading or no title(s).
- vii. The application of digital security technologies, including, but not limited to, password protection, encryption and steganography.
- d. These offenders may send, cause to be sent, distribute, exhibit, possesses, collect, display, transport, manufacture or produce materials depicting children fully clothed, in various stages of undress or totally nude, in various activities and not necessarily sexually explicit. These materials may include, but not be limited to, photographs, negatives, slides, magazines, other printed media, motion pictures, video tapes, books, or similar items stored electronically on computers, digital

devices or related digital storage media. This material is known as "child erotica." Although it may not meet the definition of child pornography, it is often probative of an offender's sexual interest in children and criminal intent. These pictures may be cut out of printed media (magazines, newspapers, books, etc.), downloaded from the Internet or surreptitiously taken or recorded by the offender from afar.

- e. In the case of materials which depict a child in the nude or posed in a sexually suggestive manner, there is a high probability that the child was molested before, during, or after the photo-taking and/or video session because the act of the posing is such a great sexual stimulus for the offender taking the pictures and/or making the videos.
 - These materials are used by these offenders as a means of establishing and sustaining fantasy relationships.
 - ii. These photos and/or videos are rarely, if ever, disposed of and are revered with such devotion that they are often kept in close proximity to the offender and occasionally upon the offender's person and such.
- f. These offenders fear discovery and may maintain and operate their own photographic production and reproduction equipment. This may be as simple as the use of "instant" photo cameras, video equipment or as complex as a completely outfitted photographic studio or photograph development laboratory.

PROBABLE CAUSE

- On January 15, 2008, LAVANCHER was arrested and charged via criminal complaint with Distribution of Child Pornography, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2252A(a)(2)(A), in the Northern District of New York. According to the complaint, LAVANCHER communicated online with a covert law enforcement officer who portrayed himself as the mother of a 13-year-old girl. During the chats, LAVANCHER transmitted child pornography to the covert officer, and requested the covert officer (as the mother) perform sexual acts with the purported daughter. On September 29, 2008, LAVANCHER pleaded guilty and on March 27, 2009, he was sentenced to 121 months incarceration followed by a lifetime of supervised release. LAVANCHER was required to register as a sex offender. LAVANCHER was released from incarceration in October 2016 and his supervision under the United States Probation Office for the Northern District of New York commenced.
- 17. On February 4, 2022, a petition was filed in the Northern District of New York alleging LAVANCHER violated the terms of his supervised release. The petition described a series of violations related to LAVANCHER's use of the Internet to access pornographic material and engage in sexually explicit conversations. The petition detailed several instances when the probation officer confronted and reprimanded LAVANCHER about his Internet use, on dates throughout the span of LAVANCHER's supervision, including September 13, 2018; May 15, 2020; August 13, 2020; October 28, 2020; and January 27, 2021.
- 18. On July 27, 2022, LAVANCHER admitted the violations of supervised release and was sentenced to six months imprisonment. LAVANCHER was released from custody and moved to Martinsburg, West Virginia on approximately January 19, 2023. The United States Probation Office for the Northern District of West Virginia assumed supervision

of LAVANCHER. The terms of LAVANCHER's supervised release include a restriction on his association with felons, his use of computers, his use of the Internet, and his possession of media that depicts sexually explicit conduct, among other restrictions.

- 19. LAVANCHER's first address in West Virginia was 104 Elizabeth Street, Apartment 3, Martinsburg, West Virginia, 25401. This apartment is located within a duplex home; the other unit in the duplex is Apartment 2. According to commercial database records and information provided by the United States Probation Office, HUNDLEY resided at 104 Elizabeth Street, Apartment 2, for at least some portion of the time LAVANCHER resided in Apartment 3. LAVANCHER moved to 427 Winchester Avenue, Apartment 2, Martinsburg, WV 25401, on January 15, 2024.
- 20. HUNDLEY was arrested on unrelated charges and booked into the Eastern Regional Jail (ERJ) in Martinsburg, West Virginia on April 19, 2024. LAVANCHER was arrested by United States Probation Officers on November 22, 2024, on a warrant charging violations of the terms of his supervision, as described below.
- 21. On November 22, 2024, I reviewed a petition completed by United States Probation Officer Andrew Grimm that detailed alleged violations committed by LAVANCHER of the terms of his supervision. Relevant portions of the report appear below. The "undersigned officer" in the following excerpts refers to United States Probation Officer Grimm.
 - a. On November 15, 2024, the undersigned officer reviewed the defendant's computer monitoring information through IPPC Technologies. It was revealed during the review that on October 1, 2024, the defendant received an email from a contact identified as

"Red." This email contained text in the body that indicated, "Candy-Paint me." The email included a picture attachment that appeared to be an adult female lying on a bed completely nude. The female was lying on her stomach, and her bare buttocks was exposed. Further review of computer monitoring information revealed the defendant then uploaded this image to a website, "diamondpaintingpro.com," ordered a "paint by numbers" copy of this image for \$39.99, and had the image and canvas shipped to his residence. It should also be noted that the female in the image is known to the undersigned officer as Candy Christine Hundley. She was previously the defendant's nextdoor neighbor. The defendant previously requested to have contact with Ms. Hundley when she was incarcerated at the Eastern Regional Jail. The undersigned officer advised the defendant on August 14, 2024, that Ms. Hundley is a felon, and directed the defendant to have no contact, directly or indirectly, with her.

b. On November 19, 2024, the undersigned officer along with United States Probation Officer Ryan Weese and Chief United States Probation Officer Jon Wright conducted a home contact at the defendant's residence. During the home contact, the defendant was confronted with the information revealed during the review of his computer monitoring program. The defendant readily admitted to the undersigned officer that the picture was in his residence. A canvas painting; small "paint by numbers" directions card; and a bigger, unfinished paper copy of the

- "paint by numbers" image, were located and seized by officers. Each seized item contained the previously noted image of the nude female that was observed during monitoring of the defendant's internet capable device.
- c. On November 19, 2024, the undersigned officer along with United States Probation Officer Ryan Weese and Chief United States Probation Officer Jon Wright conducted a home contact at the defendant's residence. During the home contact the defendant was confronted with additional information that was noted during the review of the defendant's computer monitoring software. It was noted that the defendant's bank account was being charged several times per month beginning September 2024 until the present for a "trannybook.com" subscription service. It was further noted that the defendant did not access the above referenced site with his current monitored device. The defendant was questioned as to the presence of an unmonitored smart device in his residence. The defendant denied the presence of any other devices in his residence aside from his monitored laptop.
- d. Upon reasonable suspicion noted above, a search of the defendant's residence was conducted. A Samsung Galaxy A12 smart phone, bearing Serial Number R58R853WYGA was located in the top drawer of a small stand that was next to the defendant's bed. The device was connected to a charging wire that was also noted sticking out of the drawer in plain view. The phone was seized by officers. When confronted with the

presence of the device, the defendant took ownership of it, and admitted he used it to access "trannybook.com." The defendant described the website as a dating site. Investigations of "trannybook.com" revealed the following description from the websites home page: "On our platform, you have the chance to browse through numerous profiles and easily connect with the ones that catch your interest. Show your interest by sending a virtual kiss or simply sending a message. The chat feature especially allows you to engage with others in a playful, anonymous, and effective way. Even erotic conversations and flirting can be enjoyed in a safe environment." The defendant did not have permission to visit "trannybook.com." It should be further noted that the defendant admitted to using an unmonitored device to access this material, to deceive the undersigned officer, and avoid detection of his noncompliant behavior.

e. On November 20, 2024, the undersigned officer conducted a more thorough review of the unmonitored cell phone that was seized from the defendant the day prior. This review revealed numerous images of pornography, to include images of bestiality (female/horse and female/German Shepherd dog). Also noted on the phone were unregistered communication applications to include the following:

Gmail Account blackfeet0115@gmail.com (also identified as "Red" or "Red Semper") A "WhatsApp" communication application A Facebook profile titled "Red Semper" A "trannybook.com" account It should be

further noted that the device had 88 open internet tabs that included: toplocalsingles.com, localflirt.com, covertflirtzone.com, flirtmeetfuck.com, lustmeet.com, ilovegirlcock.com, milfattract.com, foxyhussies.com, and flirtycupid.com. Many other erotic dating websites and videos were noted during the review of the phone's internet browser. During a review of the WhatsApp application, it was revealed that the defendant was having regular communication with Candy Christine Hundley. This communication included nude photos of Ms. Hundley as well as nude photos of Ms. Hundley's juvenile daughters, approximately ages 11 and 8 years old. The conversations noted the defendant was aware that both girls were underage and inquired about and received child pornography via the WhatsApp communications with Ms. Hundley. Communications include the defendant directing Ms. Hundley to engage in sexual acts with her juvenile daughters as well. It is further noted the defendant directly communicated, via text messages over WhatsApp, with individuals that he believed to be both Ms. Hundley's juvenile daughters. Nude and pornographic images were also directly sent and received between the defendant and the juveniles noted above.

22. I reviewed publicly available social media content related to HUNDLEY. The content included a photograph of HUNDLEY with two juvenile females. The caption of the photograph included the hash tag, #LiveForMyBabies. The content also included a photograph showing a juvenile female who appeared to be in HUNDLEY's care. Text

associated with the photograph indicated the juvenile in the photograph had a sister. I also reviewed a profile on the website cagedladies.com, which describes itself as a site for "women inmates seeking pen pals." A profile on the site listed the name "CANDY HUNDLEY" and showed images of HUNDLEY. The profile indicated HUNDLEY could be contacted via an email communication service I know is available to inmates at ERJ.

ELECTRONIC STORAGE AND FORENSIC ANALYSIS

- 23. Based on my training, experience, and research, I know the TARGET DEVICE has capabilities that allows it to serve as wireless telephone and electronic storage device.
- 24. Based on my knowledge, training, and experience, I know electronic devices can store information for long periods of time. Similarly, things that have been viewed via the Internet are typically stored for some period of time on the devices. This information can sometimes be recovered with forensics tools.
- 25. There is probable cause to believe that things that were once stored on the TARGET DEVICE may still be stored there, for at least the following reasons:
 - Based on my knowledge, training, and experience, I know a. that computer files or remnants of such files can be recovered months or even years after they have been downloaded onto a storage medium, deleted, or viewed via the Internet. Electronic files downloaded to a storage medium can be stored for years at little or no cost. Even when files have been deleted, they can be recovered months or years later using forensic tools. This is so because when a person "deletes" a file on a computer, the data contained in the file

does not actually disappear; rather, that data remains on the storage medium until it is overwritten by new data.

- b. Therefore, deleted files, or remnants of deleted files, may reside in free space or slack space—that is, in space on the storage medium that is not currently being used by an active file—for long periods of time before they are overwritten. In addition, a computer's operating system may also keep a record of deleted data in a "swap" or "recovery" file.
- Wholly apart from user-generated files, computer storage c. media—in particular, computers' internal hard drives—contain electronic evidence of how a computer has been used, what it has been used for, and who has used it. To give a few examples, this forensic evidence can take the form of operating system configurations, artifacts from operating system or application operation, file system data structures, and virtual memory "swap" or paging files. Computer users typically do not erase or delete this evidence, because special software is typically required for that task. However, it is technically possible to delete this information.
- d. Similarly, files that have been viewed via the Internet are sometimes automatically downloaded into a temporary Internet directory or "cache."
- 26. Forensic evidence. As further described in Attachment B, this application seeks permission to locate not only electronically stored information that might serve as direct

evidence of the crimes described on the warrant, but also forensic evidence that establishes how the TARGET DEVICE was used, the purpose of its use, who used it, and when. There is probable cause to believe that this forensic electronic evidence might be on the TARGET DEVICE because:

- Data on the storage medium can provide evidence of a file a. that was once on the storage medium but has since been deleted or edited, or of a deleted portion of a file (such as a paragraph that has been deleted from a word processing file). Virtual memory paging systems can leave traces of information on the storage medium that show what tasks and processes were recently active. Web browsers, e-mail programs, and chat programs store configuration information on the storage medium that can reveal information such as online nicknames and passwords. Operating systems can record additional information, such as the attachment of peripherals, the attachment of USB flash storage devices or other external storage media, and the times the computer was in use. Computer file systems can record information about the dates files were created and the sequence in which they were created.
- Forensic evidence on a device can also indicate who has used b. or controlled the devices. This "user attribution" evidence is analogous to the search for "indicia of occupancy" while executing a search warrant at a residence.

- c. A person with appropriate familiarity with how electronic devices work may, after examining this forensic evidence in its proper context, be able to draw conclusions about how electronic devices were used, the purpose of their use, who used them, and when.
- d. The process of identifying the exact electronically stored information on a storage medium that is necessary to draw an accurate conclusion is a dynamic process. Electronic evidence is not always data that can be merely reviewed by a review team and passed along to investigators. Whether data stored on a computer is evidence may depend on other information stored on the computer and the application of knowledge about how a computer behaves. Therefore, contextual information necessary to understand other evidence also falls within the scope of the warrant.
- e. Further, in finding evidence of how a device was used, the purpose of its use, who used it, and when, sometimes it is necessary to establish that a particular thing is not present on a storage medium.
- 27. Nature of examination. Based on the foregoing, and consistent with Rule 41(e)(2)(B), the warrant I am applying for would permit the examination of the TARGET DEVICE consistent with the warrant. The examination may require authorities to employ techniques, including but not limited to computer-assisted scans of the entire medium, that

might expose many parts of the device to human inspection in order to determine whether it is evidence described by the warrant.

28. Manner of execution. Because this warrant seeks only permission to examine a device already in law enforcement's possession, the execution of this warrant does not involve the physical intrusion onto a premises. Consequently, I submit there is reasonable cause for the Court to authorize execution of the warrant at any time in the day or night.

CONCLUSION

29. I submit that this affidavit supports probable cause for a search warrant authorizing the examination of the TARGET DEVICE described in Attachment A to seek the items described in Attachment B.

Respectfully submitted,

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subscribed and sworn to before me on November 25, 2024

Robert W. Trumble,

United States Magistrate Judge